

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid

To: Dentists, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Physician Clinics, Physicians, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan Covers Dental Surgical Extractions

Effective for dates of service on and after November 10, 2008, the BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan covers dental surgical extractions (*Current Dental Terminology* procedure code D7210).

Coverage of Dental Surgical Extractions

For dates of service (DOS) on and after November 10, 2008, the BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan will cover *Current Dental Terminology* procedure code D7210 (Surgical removal of erupted tooth requiring elevation of mucoperiosteal flap and removal of bone and/or section of tooth). The following policies and procedures apply to procedure code D7210:

- Providers should indicate the number of the tooth on claims submitted for this procedure.
- The maximum allowable fee for D7210 under the Benchmark Plan is \$181.80.

Limitations for Dental Services Under the Benchmark Plan

Procedure code D7210 is subject to all applicable Benchmark Plan procedures and limitations, including prior authorization requirements, cost-sharing requirements, deductibles, and the enrollment year limit on dental reimbursement. Refer to the December 2007 *BadgerCare Plus Update* (2007-109), titled “Dental

Services Under BadgerCare Plus,” for more information about Benchmark Plan dental policies.

Information Regarding Managed Care

This *Update* contains fee-for-service policy and applies to dental services members receive on a fee-for-service basis only. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. BadgerCare Plus HMOs are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

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